

Social and Emotional Health Task Force
January 10, 2019

Meeting Summary

Summary statement: *The Task Force members continued to present and discuss their agency initiatives pertaining to social and emotional health. This was an opportunity to continue expanding their awareness of available resources and efforts to be better positioned to identify existing gaps and needs in policy, process, and practice.*

A collection of “social and emotional health” and “social emotional learning” definitions were revisited and thoughtfully reviewed to identify key concepts that should be considered as the Task Force creates its own working definition. As a result of this process, the following key concepts were identified in small group discussions and shared with the larger group for reaction and reflection. Commonalities across the groups were identified and briefly discussed.

Small discussion groups involved unpacking the challenge statements and designing potential solutions for recommendations that will continue to be refined over the upcoming meetings. Areas of concentration included knowledge and professional development, dissemination of information, youth and family driven systems, funding, sustainability, policy, and collaboration and buy-in. Additional areas of focus will be addressed during the February meeting.

Task Force Members present: Becky Cabe, OVR; Christina Weeter, KDE; Rachel Bingham, AOC; Ivy Alexander, OCSHCN; Bill Heffron, DJJ; Michelle Mayfield, FRYSC; Kileen Slusher, DBHDID; Sonny Mercier, Parent; Rhonda Logsdon, KY-SPIN, Family Organization; Damien Sweeney, KDE; Tonisha Byrd, DMS; Susan Wilson, DCBS; Lee Ann Morrison, KCSS; Nicole Barber-Culp, DPH

Audience: Lea Taylor, Vestena Robbins, Diane Gruen-Kidd, and Vanessa Brewer, DBHDID; Kathryn Tillett, KDE

Next Meeting Date: **February 21, 2019** at 9 a.m. at Administrative Office of the Courts

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